## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

## Listing of the Claims:

- (Currently amended) <u>Λ</u> [Method] <u>method</u> for transdermal administration of at least one active substance to a porous surface, comprising the following steps:
  - a) [Dispensing] <u>dispensing</u> a certain amount of a liquid comprising at least one active substance and at least one solvent into an administration reservoir.
  - [B]b) [Separation] separating at least a portion of the at least one solvent from the administration reservoir by a solvent recovery means such that the at least wherein one active substance achieves a certain level of concentration in vicinity to the [[a]] porous surface to be treated;
  - (a) (Absorption) absorption of the active substance by the porous surface to be treated via diffusion-such that the level of concentration in the administration reservoir decreases.
- (Currently amended) <u>The</u> method [Method] according to claim 1 wherein the solvent is separated by evaporation.
- (Currently amended) <u>The method [Method]</u> according to claim 2 wherein the evaporation of the solvent is supported by a heating element.
- (Currently amended) <u>The</u> method [Method] according to claim 3 wherein the solvent is evaporated through a membrane passable preferably for the solvent.
- (Currently amended) <u>The method [Method] according to claim 2 where the</u> solvent is removed by a pre-programmed opening a pinch valve that is in contact with the porous surface.
- (Currently amended) <u>The method [Method]</u> according to claim 5 where the solvent is removed by programming the pumping of the solvent.

- (Currently amended) The method [Method] according to claim 2 where the solvent is removed by a programmed lowering of an arm or lever.
- (Currently amended) <u>The method [Method]</u> according to claims 2 wherein the solvent is absorbed by a desiccant.
- (Currently amended) <u>The method [Method]</u> according to claim 5 wherein the desiccant is one or a combination out of the group of silica gel, molecular sieves, active carbon.
- (Currently amended) <u>The method</u> [Method] according to <u>claim</u> one of the elaims-2 wherein the solvent is discharged into the environment.
- (Currently amended) <u>The method</u> [Method] <u>claim one of the claims-2</u> wherein the solvent is flushed by a fluid.
- (Currently amended) <u>The method [Method]</u> according to claim 1 wherein the at least one active substance passes an interface device which is permeable for the at least one active substance.
- (Currently amended) <u>The</u> method [Method] according to claim 12 wherein the interface device comprises a membrane.
- 14. (Currently amended) <u>The method [Method]</u> according to claim 12 wherein the interface device comprises an adhesive layer suitable to be attached to the porous surface.
- 15. (Currently amended) <u>The method [Method]</u> according to claim 1 wherein the steps a to c are repeated at predefined intervals such that the level of concentration of the at least one active substance in the administration reservoir is kept above a certain level.

- 16. (Currently amended) <u>The method [Method]</u> according to claim 15 wherein the dispensing rate and the time pattern of dispensing the liquid into the administration reservoir are controlled by a programmable device.
- 17. (Currently amended) <u>A device</u> [Device] for transdermal administration of at least one active substance to a porous surface, comprising a dispensing device interconnected to an administration device for delivery of at least one active substance [solved] <u>dissolved</u> in a solvent to said administration device, wherein the administration device comprises an administration reservoir suitable to receive the active substance solved in the solvent, a solvent removal <u>element means for absorption of solvent from the administration reservoir by evaporation and an interface [means] <u>suitable</u> for transferring [of] the active substance from the administration reservoir to the porous surface.</u>
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 17 wherein the interface device is suitable to be arranged in vicinity to the porous surface.
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 18 wherein the interface means comprises an adhesive surface suitable to be attached to the porous surface.
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 17 wherein the interface <del>means</del> is a membrane permeable for the active substance.
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 17 wherein the solvent removal <u>means element</u> is separated from the administration reservoir by a separation means.
- (Currently amended) The device [Device] according to claim 21 wherein the
  separation means is selected from the group consisting of a membrane, [[or]] a
  foam, [[or]] a cellular material, [[or]] a honeycomb, and [[or]] an air gap.

- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 21 wherein the
  administration reservoir and the solvent removal <u>means element</u> are spaced apart a
  distance by the separation means 14.
- 24. (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 17 wherein the solvent removal means <u>element</u> comprises one our or a combination out of the group of the following materials: Desiccant, general or a selective adsorbent material, silica gel, a molecular sieve, active carbon.
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 17 wherein the solvent removal <u>means element</u> comprises a chamber with an inlet and an outlet for flushing by a fluid.
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 17 wherein the dispensing device comprises at least one reservoir for an active substance which is interconnected to the administration device.
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 17 wherein the dispensing device comprises a propellant means to propel the active substance from the reservoir into the administration reservoir.
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to 27 wherein the propellant means is a pump and/or a propellant gas.
- 29. (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 26 wherein the dispensing means <u>device</u> comprises a first reservoir comprising a first active substance and a second reservoir comprising a second active substance and the first and the second active substance are mixed by mixing means before delivery to the administration device.
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 28 wherein the
  mixing means is a pipe with vortex means providing an appropriate preparation of
  mixture.

- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim [30] <u>35</u> wherein the
  control device is interconnected to at least one valve for controlling the
  administration of the at least one active substance.
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 30 wherein the
  control device is programmable according to a predetermined regime or time
  pattern or interval of administration of the at least one active substance.
- 33. (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 30 wherein the control device is interconnected with at least one sensor for measuring the administration and the condition of at least one active substance.
- (Currently amended) <u>The device</u> [Device] according to claim 33 wherein the administration of the active substance is determined by the signal of the at least one sensor.
- (New) The control device according to claim 17 wherein the administration of the active substance is controlled by a control device.
- 36. (New) An administration unit for application of at least one active substance to skin wherein the at least one active substance is dissolved in a solvent, comprising an administration unit configured to distribute the active substance to the skin or to a skin-compatible adhesive layer, wherein the administration unit comprises an administration reservoir and a solvent removal element comprising a separation layer that is impermeant to the active substance and permeable to the solvent.
- (New) The administration unit of claim 36, wherein the separation layer further
  comprises a material that controls evaporation rate of the solvent at a surface of
  the separation layer.